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MORNING TONIC.

(Alice Cary.)

Don't crowd! This world is large
enough
For you as well as me;
The doors of art are open wide—
The realm of thought is free.
Of all earth's places you are right
To choose the best you can,
Provided that you do not try
To crowd some other man.

UNCLE WALT

The Poet Philosopher

It's always pleasant to hear a girl
when she comes home from a social
whirl. She tells a tale of
the gowns she saw, of the
hats of silk and the hats
of straw; and Mrs. Jinks
was a dream in white, and Mrs. Wax
was a perfect fright. Would people
listen if I should tell of the rags men
wore at a party swell? Old Col.
Wiggs, as you know was there, and
he made a botch when he dyed his
hair. And old Bill Boggs was another
guest; he had spilled some egg on his
cavass vest, and his trousers bagged
in a frightful way and he wore a hat
that was much too gay. And Ezra
Spink was among the crowd, with a
cheap cravat that was far too loud,
and his pantaloons were a total loss,
and his whiskers looked like some
Irish moss. Old Aaron Dingbat, the
giddy flirt, was there wrapped up in a
cheap blue shirt, with a plate glass
gem on his manly breast, and three
buttons missing from off his vest. The
host, who stood in cheap cowhide
boots, regaled his guests with some
bum cheroots, and searched our coats
and our trouserboons, through a base-
born fear that we swiped his spoons.

Back Mason

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Adams.)

The woman who shoots to defend
her honor cannot be convicted in
North Carolina, and the verdict in the
Hayes case shows that the doubts will
be decided in her favor.

RALEIGH'S BIG BUILDING.

This is to be a big year for building
in Raleigh: The \$135,000 Municipal
Building and Auditorium; the \$250,-
000 State Building; the Good Shep-
herd Church; the Edenton Street
Methodist Sunday School building; the
new Ricks hotel and big improvements
at the Yarrowborough; two new buildings
at the A. & M. College; new building
at Peace; new hospital at Shaw and
a dozen other big business and resi-
dence buildings. And last, but by no
means least, this is the year to begin
the construction of a handsome Y. M.
C. A. building.

NOT A HEATHEN CHINEE.

No Chinaman practices law in Co-
lumbus county, though a mistake by
the telegraph office conveyed that im-
pression. The wire read:

"He was followed by Hon. Homer
L. Lyon for the prosecution, who made
one of the best speeches ever heard
in the Columbus county court house."

The correspondent at Whiteville
really wrote "Hon. Homer L. Lyon,"
son of Judge Lyon, and an able attor-
ney.

Raleigh is the only State capital in
the United States that has no Young
Men's Christian Association. The
people of the city are resolved this
month to take steps to remove that
bad advertisement for this good city.

The Houston Post thinks that "it is
gratifying to know that there is one
Senator in Washington who would lose
his office rather than sacrifice a prin-
ciple." Who is he? Nobody has yet
named of him.

UNCLE TOBEY'S LECTURE.

With His Usual Candor and Impres-
sive Manner, Uncle Tobey Lectures
on "Failures in Life."

(Home and Farm.)

The world, in its mad race for
wealth, power, influence and position
in society, is verging on insanity. In
the rapidity of our material progress
we are sacrificing our principles of
morality. Above the doors of every
board of trade building and the offices
of every great corporation, as well as
of most private institutions, may as
well be written the words, "Get
Money." And this is as mild as your
Uncle Tobey can put it. In the hearts
of some of the men who strive in
those places are written dark thoughts
as to how to "get money" and what
they will do with it when it comes
into their possession.

We are all moved along to some
extent with this busy throng of money
getters. Our environments make it
necessary. But happy and blessed are
they who are content with moderate
means of subsistence, who have not
joined the made race for the glittering
baubles of wealth, power and high so-
cial position. Blessed are they who
have chosen some fixed purpose in life,
no difference how humble, and are
striving to better the condition of the
human race. We often hear it said
of this man or that one, "He is a suc-
cess," when as a matter of fact their
lives have been failures. The most
sordid purpose in life is the inordinate
desire to "get money." The apostle
Paul tells us that "the love of money
is the root of all evil."

The readers of Home and Farm
must not think that Uncle Tobey is
cranky on this subject of getting
money. There is a difference between
getting money for legitimate purposes
to buy the necessities and comforts
of life and providing for old age, and
the accumulation of large fortunes for
the sake of the power and privileges
it gives to its possessor. This shoe
will not pinch the feet of many read-
ers of Home and Farm. It is this
passion for getting money that is de-
moralizing to the higher and nobler
objects and aspirations of our lives.
The young men of our land are fall-
ing victims to the mania and permit-
ting themselves to be drawn into the
maelstrom of its destructive influence.
In ninety-nine cases out of a hundred
the young man of today, in choosing
a vocation for life, first asks himself
the question, "What is it that presents
the best opportunities for making
money?" In most cases they do not
stop to consider their fitness for the
vocation which they choose. It is not
how can I best serve the human race
and elevate the material, moral or
spiritual condition of mankind. How
can I make the most money? That is
the question uppermost in their
minds.

Thus a whole family of Christian
boys will engage in some line of com-
mercial enterprise. Not a preacher,
nor a lecturer, nor a teacher, not a
student of science or an inventor in
the whole lot, but all scrambling after
the almighty dollar, with the one
purpose in life of piling up wealth
and adding nothing perhaps to the
nobler talent with which God endowed
them. When men accumulate great
wealth, their lives are said to be a
success. There are some exceptions.

but as a rule the lives of such men
are failures. To eat, die and rot; that
makes up the three chapters in such
men's lives. It is a sad commentary
on our civilization, but it is true.

The man who plants a tree by the
in the future may rest under its shade
is a greater benefactor to the human
race than he who with sordid purpose
has amassed millions of wealth. The
mother who puts her whole soul and
strength and mind in the one purpose
to develop, strengthen and extend to
fields of usefulness and intellectual,
moral and spiritual qualities of her
children, is a thousand times more
useful to the world than all the
miserly millionaires of wealth that
ever lived. The life of such a woman
is a grand success, and her tribe is
many. To the lives of such women
the world owes its moral progress. It
is up to the mother of the land to do
all in their power to stay the rising
tide of this money-getting mania.

Our sons and daughters should be
thought that unless they accomplish
something besides merely getting
money and property their lives are
failures.

I would rather be a Luther Bur-
bank than to have all the gold in the
world. I would rather be a Thomas
Edison than to have been the great-
est general that ever lived. I would
rather feed a deserving hungry man
than to be able to establish a great
library with the kind of money some
of our hotel philanthropists (?) are
donating. The widow's mite is greater
than all the millions of tainted money.

In an exhibition recently given by
a railroad company whose lines ex-
tend over a large portion of Western
and Southwestern territory, the prin-
cipal attraction was a "Model Farm."
It covered enough space in the building
to show all the conveniences and
beauty of a well planned modern
farm, with houses, barns and other
buildings. It also showed the up-to-
date machinery for the economic pro-
duction of crops. The lesson taught
by that model shall be felt during all
coming ages. I can conceive of no
higher purpose in life on the part of
a young man than that of making, in
his own neighborhood, a model farm,
one that will be an object lesson for
his fellow farmers. The field of ag-
riculture presents golden opportuni-
ties for success. Farming is one of
the most honorable occupations. Who-
ever discovers a law of nature and ap-
plies it to the end of increasing pro-
duction is not only a successful man
and a genius, but is a philanthropist
of the highest type.

No man's life need be a failure.
The small wheels in a watch are as
important as the large ones. Each
has its work to do. So in this old
world of ours, all have a mission to
perform. That man's life is a failure
only who lives for himself alone. The
little wife who kisses her husband as
he goes to his daily toil; the child who
pins a flower on the lapel of his coat;
the baby who looks up at him and
smiles—all are an inspiration to him
and help him along in the battle for
bread.

The man who gives nothing to so-
ciety and takes all from it that he can
get is a failure.

The young man who chooses a vo-
cation for which he is not fitted, or
prostitutes his manhood to some igno-
ble purpose or calling, is a failure.
A man's action may be great, yet his
purposes so small and the results of
his life work so insignificant that he
may be said to be a failure. With
the widow's mites no universities were
endowed, no libraries were established
or monuments erected, but the act has
come down to us through the rolling
centuries with the words of the truth
from the lowly Nazarene: "Verily I
say unto you, that this poor widow
hath cast more in than all they which
have cast into the treasury."—Mark
12:42.

It was only two mites, less than a
penny, but it was all she had. The
life of that woman was not a failure.
It is the little things of life that make
up the whole, and if the little things
are right our whole life is right. There
is no reason to become discouraged;
there is something for all to do and
it lies before us right at our door.
We have only to look about us and we
shall see more to do, perhaps, than we
are willing or able to do. Don't let
your life be a failure.

APPLE SCAB.

This is one of the most common
and destructive diseases of apples and
pears. It appears on the leaves and
fruit early in the season as blotches.
Fruit attacked early usually falls pre-
maturely. On matured fruit it forms
scabby blotches and injures the ap-
pearance of the fruit. It lives over
winter on dead leaves, and these
should be destroyed or plowed under.

Spraying with Bordeaux mixture
will keep this in check if applied at
the proper time. Spray before the
buds open with the copper sulphate
solution and spray with the Bordeaux
at intervals of ten days or two weeks.
These later sprayings may also be
made for insects and other diseases by
using Bordeaux and arsenate of lead.

"A little farm well tilled, a little
wife well willed, a little pocket well
filled," is, according to one who
knows, the quintessence of human
happiness.

MINOR ITEMS OF FARM EQUIPMENT

Few farmers realize the extent of
their investment in the small items
of equipment or the time and incon-
venience involved in buying numerous
articles singly or in small lots. Be-
fore planning farm equipment due
consideration should be given to
the necessary outlay for minor items,
and, where possibly the latter should
be secured at one purchase, thereby
saving time, and usually money. The
purchase of these articles in such a
manner will mean a total expenditure
sufficient to impress the farmer with
the need for their systematic care.
The minor items for a general farm
of 160 acres will probable cost from
\$200 to \$300 by the time the equip-
ment is complete.

FEEDING FOR PROFIT.

The poultryman who can give just
the right amount of food for the
right amount of the right food at
all times is fortunate, indeed, for with
individual hens, as with people, they
require different quantities at differ-
ent times. A hen that is laying an egg
a day, or even every other day, will
consume considerable more food than
one that is not laying at all. Early
maturing pullets should be extra well
fed, they are making growth as well
as eggs, so don't stint them, and if
they don't lay quite as soon as you
think they should remember that the
food eaten is making flesh and bone
and they will be better size than if
they are too precocious.—E. N. Bar-
ker.

GET AFTER MOISTURE EARLY.

Every move made with the soil this
spring, whether in field or garden,
should be done with the same care-
fulness that would be exercised if we
knew there would not be another drop
of rain till July. If this is done,
whether we have a moist or a very
dry growing season, we shall have a
good garden and fair crops.

By harrowing closely after every
particle of spring plowing or disking,
by passing a heavy roller over all too
loose soils and following with a fine
harrow, this can be done on a large
and surely paying scale.

In the garden do the same, and in
addition, after any shower and once
or twice a week, shower or no shower,
pass an iron or steel rake over the
slightly hardened surface between the
rows and hills close up to the plants.
Should ample moisture come—and
the chances are about even many
springs that it will not—all the extra
tillage and firming of the soil will be
well paid for in other ways than by
retaining the moisture, and should
the spring prove one of the old-time
very dry ones, it may mean a crop or
garden.

CARE OF THE LAMBS.

At eight to ten days of age lambs
will begin to eat. At that time a
creep should be built which will give
them access to a feed box containing
grain and a trough with hay. Box,
trough and feed should always be
kept sweet and clean.

A good grain ration for lambs is
made as follows: Mix one-third part
of oatmeal with one part each of bran,
oats and fine corn meal. Red alfalfa
hay or the second cutting of alfalfa
hay are the most desirable form of
roughage. Of the two alfalfa is to be
much preferred.

It is a good idea to keep up the
grain feed right along until the lambs
are sent to market. By so doing the
lambs are kept fat all the time and
are ready to be turned into cash on
short notice should the market take a
sudden rise.

BOYS CORN CONTEST.

Mr. Page Offers \$50 in Prizes to the
Boys.

Congressman Robt. N. Page offers
prizes to the boys of Montgomery county
for the largest yields per acre for 1911.
Following in his letter.
Editor Montgomeryian,
Troy, N. C.

Dear Sir:

The newly awakened interest in agri-
culture greatly appeals to me, and want-
ing to stimulate it in Montgomery county
and show our own people, as well as the
rest of the world, that our county is as
good as any other agriculturally. I wish
through your paper to offer special in-
ducement to the boys on the farms of the
county, to make special effort to demon-
strate their ability, as well as the
capability of the land, by offering special
prizes in addition to any other that may
be offered, for the largest yield of corn
on one acre by any boy under eighteen
years of age. I will pay to the boy
making the largest yield a cash prize of
\$25.00. Second largest yield \$15.00. Third
largest yield, \$10.00.

Awards to be made by a committee
named for the purpose. All who propose
to enter this contest must forward their
name, age and address to the Montgom-
erian, not later than April 1st.

Robert N. Page
A book has been provided for the names
sent to us, and a card acknowledging the
receipt of all names entered will be
mailed.—The Montgomeryian, Troy, N. C.

Prosperity tests character far more
than adversity.